

The Press and Banner.

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Leading in Prayer.

"They had never learned to lead in prayer." Thus spoke the Associate Reformed Presbyterian last week. It is not exactly clear to us what is meant by "leading in prayer."

It is right for a man to lead his family in prayer. It may be well for an elder to lead the Wednesday evening prayer-meeting in prayer. But it is not right for a layman to "lead in prayer" in church on Sunday, where people have assembled for religious worship, and where the regular ordained minister is expected to conduct the service.

While some very good laymen may commit the error of praying in church on Sunday, yet when they do so they make themselves a target for cruel criticism, while doing the cause of religion a harm. Does anybody want to hear a bricklayer, a carpenter, or a lawyer, pray in church?

This question, the Press and Banner would attempt to answer in the negative, and if the aforesaid bricklayer, carpenter, or lawyer would be just to themselves and to the church, they would not do an act which can result only in adverse criticism to themselves and injury to the church. Is it not a fact that such an act on their part has a tendency to keep people away from the sanctuary? Whenever anybody reports to us that he expects or loves to hear a layman pray in church on Sunday, we shall be glad to note the exception to the rule.

David, we believe it was, was not allowed to build the temple, because he had blood on his hands. Possibly for less pronounced reasons our laymen should not approach too near to the sacred altar. Elders or Deacons should exemplify the Christian religion in their daily walk, and not attempt to usurp the functions of the preacher.

In connection with this we may be pardoned for relating a circumstance as told to us: Mr. Schrader of this town, then of Lowndesville, during a revival joined the church. Those in authority wanted to elicit him and asked him to pray. He replied, "I shoe the horses and mind the wagons, you do the praying."

Running People by Charity.

The Atlanta Journal objects to the expenditure of two and a half million of dollars in the erection of a peace monument because so many people are dead. We know of no better way of giving it to them than in giving them work by which they can earn it. If the money is paid out to them without any consideration on their part, you will make idlers of them and when this money gives out they will come back for more. Let them build a peace monument and pay them for their work instead of donating the money to them.

The principle announced in the above is perfectly correct. The best way to give aid to the struggling poor is to give them opportunity to work. To give them alms, lowers their self-respect, and when the free bread is gone they too often expect more. A very large per cent. of the human family would be willing to remain idle, if somebody would feed and clothe them. For this reason, the charitable inclined should be careful not to encourage idleness or triflingness. Better encourage people to better and higher effort, so that, instead of dragging in the dirt, they may reach or attain higher and more worthy things.

Believing that comfort, self-respect, and good living is based upon industry, charitable people, or public spirited citizens, should strive to provide means by which their worthy neighbors may make themselves comfortable and independent. There is nothing like the glorious privilege of being independent. And the vast majority of our people may be comfortable and independent—as far as this world's goods is concerned—if proper and suitable opportunities for enabling work is presented.

For these reasons industrial enterprises should be established in every town. Labor properly managed, not only helps the laborer, but it enriches the capitalist who furnishes the money. Properly managed industrial enterprises are the country's greatest benefactors.

In Hard Luck.

A few years ago Mr. Montgomery of Spartanburg, this State, went to Gainesville, Ga., and built a cotton mill. Less than a year later, Mr. Montgomery, the builder of the mill, fell from a scaffold and was killed. Last Monday a cyclone struck the mill and did great damage to the property. Many of the operatives were killed.

It seems that storms are no respecters of persons or things in their way. They strike with equal violence the church and the mill, the home and the railroad train.

Infants May Now be Saved.

The Northern Presbyterians have recently accorded salvation to the souls of infants who die before the age of responsibility. And thus it is the world moves, and the idea that "hell is full of infants not a span long," is giving way to more rational sentiment. Instead of cursing uncharitable persons it is hoped that a divine spark may be found in the hearts of those who profess the religion of our Saviour.

Out of the Ring.

Billy Bryan and Grover Cleveland, as far as Presidential possibilities are concerned, are dead ducks. They might just as well sit down, but we think Billy is determined to commit suicide by talking himself and others to death. Let the Democrats get together, fight for some principle, and get new men to lead them. Nobody wants to bet his money on horses that have been so often beaten, and nobody thinks a man with Grover's record could be elected.

Seaboard Shops.

The Seaboard Air Line shops were recently burned. Atlanta, Columbia and perhaps other small towns are making petitions and showing the advantages of their respective places for the rebuilding of the shops. If Abbeville would make the proper effort, the shops might be brought to this place. Let the council send a delegation to the proper authorities. If we do not ask for the shops, some of the enterprising little towns like Atlanta and Columbia may be the winners.

The arrival of fifty mill operatives in Anderson a short time ago, was the occasion of congratulation by the newspapers of that town. It is inferred that the progressive town had not had such boost in a long time, and were always glad to note the evidence of prosperity on the part of a neighboring town. But a little later than the arrival of fifty mill operatives, some infernal immigration agent came along and swiped forty negroes. The town council, with commendable zeal held a meeting and took steps to squelch the immigration business. And all is well.

To be Debated.

The Literary Societies of the different colleges may discuss the relative value of the various ball games as compared to the literary course in the colleges. Shall Commencement be of Literary or Athletic efforts?

S. A. L. Shops.

Abbeville has the advantage in position, and if proper efforts were made we might get an enlargement of the Railroad shops since the destruction of the S. A. L. Shop at Portmouth. We would suggest that the Town Council take the matter under consideration and take such steps as may be deemed best. Little is gained by non-action; much is sometimes gained by proper effort.

Dangerous.

The rain last Monday washed considerable dirt from the railroad fill over the branch in Fort Pickett. It is now considered dangerous to walk on the upper side of the track, and persons who travel that way do so at their peril. Trains now stop near the trestle, and passengers alight, or get aboard at that point.

If the new furniture factory and the knit ting mill enterprises are not dead, they certainly are not very frisky. We haven't organized anything for a year, and the time is ripe for something—a funeral, if nothing better offers.

Lazy Club.

If we can't organize anything else, let us organize a "Lazy Club" for the Summer.

COME INTO COURT.

Petit Jurors.
Jas. Patterson.....Diamond Hill
C. L. Pressly.....Cedar Springs
E. W. Raskin.....Lowndesville
R. B. Ferguson.....Diamond Hill
J. A. Devore.....Donalds
J. W. Bowlin.....Long Cane
L. G. Fleming.....Diamond Hill
F. C. Wilson.....Calhoun Mills
W. T. Cunningham.....Lowndesville
D. K. Cooley.....Lowndesville
H. W. Cochran.....Abbeville
Tosco Nickles.....Long Cane
R. R. Tolbert, Jr.....Smithville
S. S. Boles.....Lowndesville
D. L. Barnes.....Lowndesville
G. E. Maddox.....Long Cane
J. E. McDavid.....Abbeville
Irvin Clinebeck.....Lowndesville
C. H. Link.....Cedar Springs
N. Schram.....Abbeville
L. R. Campbell.....Diamond Hill
G. T. Holder.....Bordeaux
Thos. McNeil.....Long Cane
R. P. Jamison.....Donalds
G. A. Douglas.....Abbeville
W. D. McIlwain.....Long Cane
J. H. Prince.....Diamond Hill
J. A. King.....Long Cane
C. F. Graves.....Abbeville
J. W. Leroy.....Abbeville
J. B. Sharp.....Long Cane
Geo. W. Loma.....Abbeville
R. W. Ferryman.....Bordeaux

GOOD ROADS.

The Meeting Last Sale Day—Brief Notes.

The Abbeville District Good Roads Convention met in the Court House at 12 M. Saturday June 6, President I. H. McCalla presiding.

The minutes of last meeting were read and reports from delegates from township associations were called for.

Donalds township had organized and was circulating petition for one mill tax for improvement of roads, which was being signed by the people with but few exceptions. To the same effect were the reports from Long Cane, Smithville, Cedar Springs, Lowndesville had had a meeting and organized, but no petition has yet been circulated. Other townships, while feeling an interest in the matter, have taken no step forward yet.

On motion, the townships who have not acted were requested to press the matter of organization and to send up delegates to the County Association fully instructed as to the feeling, plans and needs of their respective townships.

2d. That the matter of having a general rally of the county at a meeting to be held during the summer for the full consideration of the matter of good roads to which speakers will be invited who have made a study of the subject of good roads.

Meeting adjourned to convene on Saturday July 1.

SALE DAY.

Meeting of the Good Roads—One Sale.

The Good Roads delegates met in the Court House, and an organization was effected. Sheriff Lyon sold the home and lot in Due West, owned by the late J. H. Wright, to the Mills township belonging to J. A. Altheus Johnson, at the suit of J. H. Wright. The home and lot in Due West was bought \$200 and the 18-acre tract brought \$106. J. H. Wilson being the purchaser of both properties.

A few delegates sent to the Press and Banner, and some business was done in the State.

DONALD'S DOTS.

Donalds News As Related By The Young Correspondent.

Donalds, June 2, 1903.

The death reaper is abroad in the land. In the last fortnight six men have died near Donalds. Saturday evening Mr. McGill of Due West was found dead in bed. Sunday afternoon Mr. Robert Haddon, his brother-in-law died. He was found in his bed unconscious, and his family sent for Mr. McGill and they found him dead. Sad, indeed, is death.

The Good Roads Meeting was held last Thursday, but a very small crowd was present. Addresses were made by Senator Lattimer, Congressman Aiken, and Supervisor Nickles. The addresses were all good and it was a pity that a larger crowd was not present.

An effort is being made to have a five mills tax voted on this township for better roads. There is a great deal of opposition and it will hardly go through.

Rain has at last come and the farmers were sure glad to see it. There was a heavy rain and some hail also.

A revival was held in the Presbyterian Church last week. Rev. Matthews of Hickory Grove, conducted the services, and a large crowd enjoyed the services.

Rev. J. W. Atkins of the Methodist Church at this place, held a revival Sunday.

The work of demolishing the old school house here goes on, and work will soon commence on the new one.

Mr. J. W. Atkins and son are both sick with malarial fever, but are now much better.

Mr. Weyman Brownlee of Columbia and Miss Lude Brownlee of this place were married last Wednesday morning. Immediately after the ceremony they took the train for Abbeville and from there they drove to Capt. Brownlee's father of the groom. Rev. J. A. Brown performed the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee will make Columbia their home. Donalds certainly regrets to lose Miss Lude.

Governor's Proclamation.

Atlanta, Ga., June 1.—Governor Terrell tonight issued the following proclamation: "The people of Georgia: The terrible calamity visited upon the people of Gainesville today by the force of a storm that left about two hundred dead in its wake and a thousand in need of immediate aid, calls for quick and heroic response from the humanity of the State.

"Georgia is noted for their readiness to go to those in need, and I feel that I can call on them in the hour of their need to contribute quickly and liberally to their fellow Georgians dying and to hundreds who, though living, are left in hunger and despair."

"As Governor, I urge the people of the State to send contributions to the Hon. H. T. Parker, mayor or D. T. Fitzgerald, cashier of the National Bank of Gainesville, who will apply same to meet the pressing necessities of the people of that city and vicinity that have been rendered destitute by the storm."

If you are the housekeeper You will appreciate our suggestion that you use Borden's "Clifton" flour. It makes the best bread, cake and pastry for home people as well as visitors. Don't let your prejudice in favor of another brand prevent your trying it. L. T. & T. M. Miller.

Dr. S. F. Killingsworth. Dr. C. S. Lattimer.

Killingsworth & Lattimer, DENTISTS.

If you want your dental done at home, see or write to us.

If you need a genuine Victor Sweep call on J. R. Glenn.

HALL & ANDERSON,

Abbeville, S. C.

HOT WEATHER CLOTHING!

Hot weather will be with us now for several months, and its driving us all into featherweight clothing.



Don't swelter this hot weather, come in and we will fit you out in a few moments and charge you but little for doing the job.

HALL & ANDERSON,

high grade
clothing and furnishings
for
GENTLEMEN AND BOYS.
Abbeville, - S. C.

Business Sense Needed.

Ability to prepare successful advertising implies business sense plus a keen journalistic scent for interesting news. The more business sense and common sense an ad. writer has the less literary ability will be needed. To write a good advertisement on any subject a man has got to be soaked through and through, not merely with the business in hand, but business principles in general. A man can't become a good doctor until he has learned all about the human body in the clinic and the dissecting room. Neither can anyone become a successful ad. writer until he knows enough about business to appreciate his client's position—until he can put himself in his client's place and look the needed proposition squarely in the face. Jed Scarboro.



THE REAL THING

—fragrant, delicious, pure Tea from some of the choicest gardens in China can be purchased here. Our O. & O. Tea brand makes a beverage that is simply perfect. The flavor is incomparable. This is extra good value at 75c per pound.

We carry a full line of INDIA, CEYLON AND CHINESE TEAS and offer the choicest blends at these prices.

L. T. & T. M. Miller.

More than 5,000 Drummers' Samples mean just that many choice bargains for somebody, and it is up to you to decide whether you will take some of them or pay the other fellow 33 to 50 per cent. more for same goods. A. M. Smith & Co.

Test One Sack of "Clifton" flour and you will find it makes more bread, better bread, and gives better satisfaction than any flour you can buy. L. T. & T. M. Miller.

Tate's Low Prices

You can buy a Gee Haw collar from H. M. Tate & Co. for 50c. It looks like easy times when Tate will sell you 14lbs good green coffee for 1.00. Tate wants your business and will sell you goods so as to get it if you will give them a chance. 14 lbs good Soda for 25c at H. M. Tate & Co. We have a full line of beautiful spring and summer dresses going. A body will convince you that the prices are lower here than elsewhere. Anybody can wear socks when they can buy them from Tate 6 pairs for 25 cents. You can afford to wear clean clothes if you buy your soap from Tate. 6 cakes Oatmeal for 25 cents; 11 cakes Ark for 25 cents.

Glenn can furnish you Wilson planters half first shipment sold. Better buy now. You can find some exquisite cut glass and china at the store of A. M. Smith & Co.

Haddon's Silk Sale

Ten Pieces Satin Faced Foulard Silk, by the dress pattern, at 69 cents per yard, former price 90c.

20 Fancy Silk Waists Patterns, worth \$1.00 to \$1.50 per yard. Your choice now at 75 cents.

White, Black and Colored Silk Mull at 39 cents per yard. Black Silk Grenadines at a bargain.

A beautiful line of White Goods for summer wear.

R. M. Haddon & Co.

Sample Sale, Too.

.... BIG LINE OF

Drummers' Samples -

AT N. Y. COST.

Shirts, Undershirts, Hose, Suspenders, Fans, Overalls, Parasols, Ties, etc.

COME AND LOOK OVER THEM.

W. D. BARKSDALE.



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against the action of the sun and wind something must be used. Sunburn is painful and freckles disfiguring. We carry a full line of all the high class and reliable SALVES, FACE POWDERS, COLD CREAM, and other toilet preparations. These are all effectual and absolutely harmless and necessary for the beautifying of the skin and producing a smooth complexion.

Speed's Drug Store.

THE KITCHEN RANGE.

How to Economize on the Use of Coal—Building Fires.

One of the most fruitful sources of household waste and extravagance is the coal bin, and tons of fuel are used where a single one would give the same results. Open drafts and a range full to the covers of glowing coals not only burn a needless amount of coal, but burn out the range at the same time. A shovelful of coal or sufficient to lightly cover the fire will accomplish as much as a half shovelful, excepting in the increase of the coal man's trade.

For a small range nut coal is best; for a large one, small egg coal. Red ash coal makes a hotter fire, with fewer clinders, than the white ash, and the latter burns more slowly. For these reasons an equal mixture of the two is a wise economy. The ashes taken from the fire should never be thrown into the can until they are sifted. The clinders thus obtained can be used on the fire at times when the greatest heat is not needed. But they should always be added after the fresh coal is well aglow.

A third of a cupful of kerosene with which to saturate the kindling and coal before putting it in the range will facilitate the housewife's morning work, whether or not the fire has been kept overnight. Kerosene should never, however, be poured directly into a stove, either from the cup or can. The best way is to lay the wood on a shovel and cover it there with the oil, and then add a sprinkling to a shovelful of coal. Many housekeepers insure their kitchens against accident from this cause by leaving a part of a cupful of oil for the servant's use and locking the rest in the storeroom.

A handful of sugar will revive an expiring fire as quickly as will kerosene, but happy the housewife whose maid is ignorant of the fact. This accounts in many cases for the rapid disappearance of the kitchen sugar supply.

How to Make Buckwheat Shortcake.

Take two-cupfuls of nice sour milk (freshly churned buttermilk is the best), add half a level teaspoonful of soda (more if the milk is very sour) and a level teaspoonful of salt. Add sufficient buckwheat flour to make a very stiff batter. Pour this into a buttered tin and bake immediately for about 30 minutes. Serve with butter and maple syrup.

How to Make Guinea Hen Pie.

Bone the guinea hen and rub well with pounded mace, allspice and pepper and salt (use a teaspoonful of salt and half a teaspoonful of mixed spices). Then spread over a layer of forcemeat made by chopping two ounces of ham, one teaspoonful of parsley and the peel of half a lemon. Mince very fine, add a seasoning of salt, cayenne and mace. Blend all thoroughly together with six ounces of crumbs and two beaten eggs. Butter a raised pie mold and line with a stiff, raised crust. Then spread with the forcemeat. Put in the guinea meat, packing it well in. Wet the edges, put on a cover of the paste, brush over with egg and bake four hours. In the meantime make a good, strong gravy from the bones, pour it through a funnel into the hole at the top, and the pie is ready for use.

How to Roast Clams.

Wash and scrub the clams. Put them on the broiler and over a clear fire. As they begin to open take them from the broiler and remove the upper shell. Pour over a little melted butter and serve with a quarter of a lemon. Add a little chopped parsley to the melted butter. Serve the clams very hot.

How to Tell Age of Horses.

The popular idea that the age of a horse can always be told by looking at his teeth, says a veterinary surgeon, is not entirely correct. After the eighth year the horse has no more new teeth, so that the tooth method is useless for telling the age of a horse which is more than 8 years old. As soon as the set of teeth is complete, however, a wrinkle begins to appear on the upper edge of the lower eyelid, and a new wrinkle is added each year, so that to get at the age of a horse over 8 years old you must figure the teeth plus the wrinkles.

How to Broil Ham.

Cut some slices of ham a quarter of an inch thick, lay them in hot water for half an hour or give them a scalding in a pan over the fire. Then take them up and lay them on a gridiron over bright coals, then take the slices on a hot dish, butter them freely, sprinkle pepper over and serve.

How to Clean Cut Glass.

Cut glassware is both valuable and beautiful and should be carefully treated when cleaned. It should, in the first place, be washed in warm water to which have been added a few drops of that invaluable cleansing agent ammonia. Having thoroughly rinsed them, brush each piece separately with a soft brush dipped in whiting, and then, when the powder is washed off, polish the glasses, which should drain for a minute or two, with tissue paper, which puts on a splendid gloss.

How to Stew Carrots.

Scrape some carrots and boil till nearly cooked, place in a stewpan with one ounce of butter, a couple of small onions, minced fine; a little chopped parsley, with pepper and salt to taste. Simmer slowly for half an hour, then add some flour to thicken the gravy. Squeeze over all a little lemon juice and serve.

How to Fry Eels.

After cleaning the eels well cut them in pieces two inches long. Wash them and wipe them dry. Roll them in wheat flour or rolled cracker and fry as other fish, in hot lard or beef dripping, salted. They should be browned all over and thoroughly done.

The Great Work of a Human Soul

is to believe God. A sense of failure is the most universal sorrow of mankind. Sin destroys sense. There is genuine piety in simply being happy. We need a holy fear to put ballast into our souls. Up from the deepest death grows the tallest life. Our trials are but the unripe taste of fruits which ripen into the golden sweetness of paradise.